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SPEAKER: Senator Dickinson.

SENATOR DICKINSON: A question of Senator Goodrich, please. Senator Goodrich, I have been trying to glance through the bill hurriedly. What consideration is given to the fact that you or I may have had adequate insurance to cover the cost of that stove and refrigerator and tools and what have you?

SENATOR GOODRICH: If it is covered by insurance, they don't get it in the Disaster Relief.

SENATOR DICKINSON: So, in other words, the person who has used some wisdom and good sense and bought insurance is penalized as opposed to the one who perhaps spent his insurance money at the corner beer joint.

SENATOR GOODRICH: No, what we are saying is, if the loss is over the amount of the insurance or if they happen for some unforeseen not to have insurance, then they can get relief. If they have insurance and it is paid by the insurance, then they don't get relief.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Then we could be rewarding, to some degree, the irresponsible in not making some provision for themselves in regard to insurance prior to disaster.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Except, what do we do? Leave them out in the streets?

SENATOR DICKINSON: Well, I don't know but we have to draw a line somewhere.

SENATOR GOODRICH: We can't leave those kids out in the streets.

SENATOR DICKINSON: We are not talking about leaving them out in the streets, Senator Goodrich. Food, shelter, clothing, and so forth is provided for in present legislation. We are talking about things far beyond that.

SPEAKER: All right. Senator Goodrich, you may close on your amendment.

SENATOR GOODRICH: No, I told you what the problem is. It is your decision to make as to whether you want to limit your people to that kind of relief or do you want to take that sentence out and let the Welfare Department administer it according to the federal regulations that are quoted in Section 9. That is your decision to make. I suggest you take this sentence out. It does not hurt the bill. It just helps the people that are stricken with disaster. Thank you.

SPEAKER: All right. Once again, the motion is, to amend the Mahoney amendment with the Goodrich amendment. It takes a simple majority of those voting. All in favor vote aye. Those opposed, vote nay. Voting nay. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 7 ayes, 19 nays.

SPEAKER: The motion lost. Now, we are back to the Mahoney amendment. Any further discussion on that? If not, the